

House Resolution No. 798

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of six and one-half wondrous decades has passed since Lloyd Jasper Blackwell lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Maxine Ruth Broyles, during a solemn ceremony officiated by the Reverend Cleve Cooley on January 3, 1942, in Round Pond; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Lloyd and Maxine Blackwell have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Lloyd and Joann Blackwell, Jackie and Gary NuDelman, Debra and Jim Rooney, and Ella and Lloyd Little; seven grandchildren; and thirteen great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, now retired, Lloyd Blackwell has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes being a Sheriff, a butcher, a farmer, a maintenance man at the Missouri Lead Mines, a gardener, an award winning bowler, a baseball player, and the owner of a grocer store/ filling station, an Allis Chalmers dealership, and an OTASCO Store; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Maxine Blackwell further distinguished herself by working in a shirt factory, the school kitchen, and a grocery store, and being a charter member of the Sorosis Club and a member of the Women's Missionary Union; and

Whereas, Lloyd and Maxine Blackwell derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with the First Baptist Church, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell of Salem commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary on January 4, 2007:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Lloyd and Maxine Blackwell and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jasper Blackwell, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Jason Smith
District No. 150

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 798, adopted February 27, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker